

## CORRESPONDENCE.

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## Kohala District Requirements.

MR. EDITOR:—Our worthy Representative Kalua Kahookano, deserves more credit than your Kohala correspondent "X" of the 24th ultimo is inclined to give him. Hitherto the requests made by him have, in the main, been quite reasonable and cover the actual needs of our District.

The motion to appropriate funds for a female boarding school in Kohala, is a good one and needs more encouragement from all parties. This appropriation should certainly be applied for the benefit of the present seminary here, which institution has already, after only one year's existence, gained a wide reputation for sound education and healthy discipline.

Another measure to be encouraged is the one being petitioned for at present in the district, viz.: to appropriate money for the construction of a bridge across the Waiakohala gulch in Halawa. A good serviceable one constructed of steel would be the greatest advance this district has made for years.

Some of our people seem to be laboring under the delusion that a representative is responsible for and the framer of the various petitions presented by him to the Legislature. A more absurd idea could hardly be entertained by anyone beyond a simpleton. The petition concerning contract laborers, for which he is neither to be blamed nor praised, beyond the bare fact of performing a duty, incumbent upon any Representative of the people, contains a good deal of matter for reflection, and apart from the shortening hours of labor question, the other requests ought not to effect those plantations in the least, where they consider the moral right of and treat with ordinary justice those in their employ.

The absurd stuff your correspondent gets off, that "all employers would only be too glad if they were never importuned for any advances whatever on wages," is not to be credited for a moment. It should be apparent to anyone who cares to look into the matter that on many of our plantations, with regard to native laborers especially, the deeper they get into debt, the better are their employers satisfied; managing to compel those laborers to work for years and years, under a succession of contracts, openly in the face of its illegality.

Exceptions, must however be made in some cases as we learn on good authority, that on some plantations, and even in this district of ours, no advances whatever are given to native laborers, and yet both master and laborer manage to exist and they have no reputation for undue severity, or hardness of heart either. It is the opinion of the writer, that the practice of advancing money, to native laborers especially, is as uncharitable as it is injurious: in some cases they being permitted to become hopelessly involved for years. What must be the natural consequence of such a system but complete demoralization.

Let your correspondent take a survey of the plantations in this district and elsewhere, use his eyes, compare notes, and then report again upon this modern system of servitude; and I think ordinary humanity will compel him to decry rather than encourage and foster this existing evil.

Concerning "X's" suggestion, to build residences for Government school teachers; his best way of making doubly sure of its coming under the notice of our representative, is to write to him directly concerning the same.

Your correspondent's ideas of making it a penal offence for minors to use tobacco, should not be favored for an instant. A measure to compel parents and teachers to exercise more vigilance in the matter, might command notice; but to educate the young in our law courts and jails, the logical sequence of "X's" measure, would do more to minimize the terrors of the law, and build up a nation of vagabonds and criminals than desirable.

NOMAD.

Kohala, July 1st.

The Chinese Restriction Bill has had a marked influence on the number of Chinese arriving in the Colonies, as they were only 175 during last year, and of those nine-tenths had previously resided in the Colonies, and had gone to China on a visit. In the first quarter of the present year the arrivals have been only 67, while 104 departures are recorded.

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The programme was as follows:—

PART I.  
Selection—"To-night we'll say Farewell,".....R. Schlegel  
College Orchestra.

Chorus—"Red, White and Blue,".....C. A. White  
College Choir.

Solo and Chorus—"Is it Likely?"  
Soloist: a Dwarf; Chorus: Select Choir.

"Goodluck and Badluck," Juvenile  
Fair Opera, in two acts, adapted. Music by Carl Reineke.

Cast of Characters:  
King Bonus of Utopia.....Dan. Vida  
Prince Goodluck, his son.....Eli Jones  
Badluck, an unlucky peasant boy.....Adam Duncan

Minister Ducksbrain.....Thos. Lloyd  
Chamberlain Calfeys.....G. Cabral  
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Playmates of the Prince.....O. Scholtz, W. Vida, W. Rapozo, F. Drew, W. Wood, Helemano I, C. Christian, F. Aki, M. Leal.

Between the Acts, Violin Solo by Jas. Lloyd.

"Forge in the Forest," Theo. Michaelis  
College Orchestra.

PART II.  
(Rondo, "Cuckoo and Cricket") C. Sidus  
(Castle Waltz).....Bowman  
St. Louis College Junior Orchestra.

Chorus, "Hail, Liberty's Chieftain,".....Auber  
College Choir.

"The Upstart," a comedy in two acts, adapted.

Cast of Characters:  
Young Mr. Jordan.....Jas. Lloyd  
Old Mr. Jordan, his venerable uncle.....Wm. Cuelho  
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Muffin.....M. Hamauku  
Dervises.....P. Nalua  
Dervises.....Wm. Rose

Chorus, "Jingle Bells,".....C. A. White  
College Choir.

Galop.....Theod. Moses  
College Orchestra.

The chorus singing was excellent, above the average, while the playing of both orchestras was a genuine treat. The training of the pupils must have occupied many hours of hard work on the part of the talented brothers. Master Jas. Lloyd played his violin solo with much skill. The juvenile fairy opera was a surprise, so capably was it rendered. Little Eli Jones sang remarkably well. The comedy was sustained in the most creditable manner. A. Fernandez as Nicholas convulsed the audience with laughter. Brother Albert ably directed the orchestra, and Brother Francis officiated as accompanist with his usual skill. The entertainment was an entire success and Brother Bertram and his able corp of assistants are to be congratulated upon the result.

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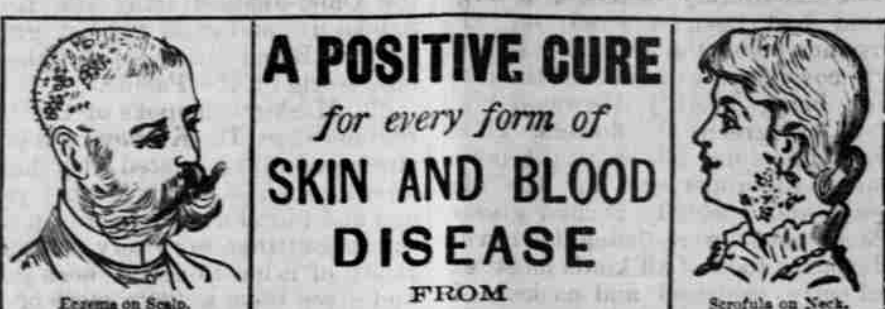
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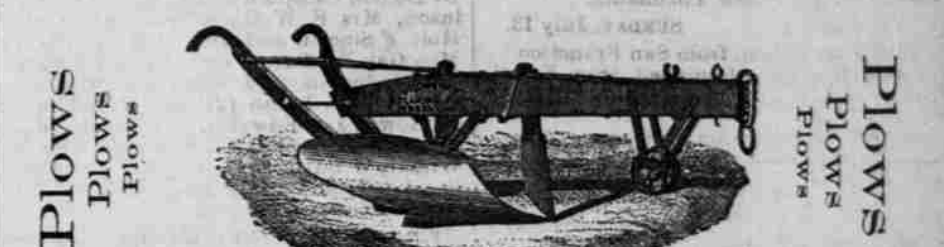
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